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Inventors: Mark Keiji Inahara and Mark Tsuneaki Hidaka

Title: ANIMAL OR OTHER OBJECT WASHING SYSTEM AND METHOD

Including:

- X 1. A specification including claims consisting of 24 pages.
- X 2. Formal/informal drawings consisting of 4 sheets.
- X 3. Declaration and Power of Attorney.

Additionally:

- X 4. An assignment of the invention to Ruff House, Inc. is attached.
- X 5. An election Under 37 C.F.R. §§ 3.71 and 3.73(b) and Power of Attorney.
- X 6. Applicant claims small entity status.
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- X 8. Information Disclosure Statement with PTO Form-1499

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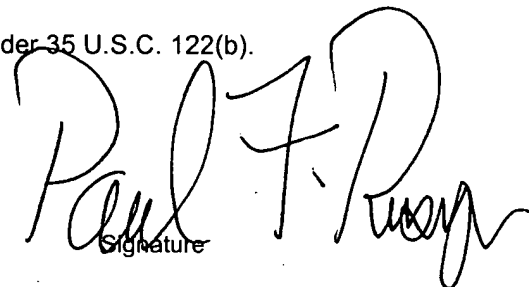
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